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(HUNTER, CARRIE)

SUBJECT: KIDNAPPED AMERICANS

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1. I AM MUCH CONCERNED ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY STANFORD ADVANCING
ANOTHER PLAYER TO JOIN THE GROUP OF KIDNAP WATCHERS ALREADY RESIDENT
IN EAST AFRICA AND PARTICULARLY DAR.

2. ANY MEETING WITH PRP AS PRESENTLY ENVISIONED WOULD TAKE PLACE WITH
EITHER BRYCESON SERVING AS THE INTERMEDIARY OR SOMEONE ELSE SUGGESTED
BY TANGOV FOLLOWING CONSULTATIONS WITH OURSELVES. THIS IS AT LEAST
THE CURRENT PROPOSAL ON THIS SIDE OF THE LAKE AND WE ARE NOW AWAITING
A PRP RESPONSE.

3. AS I HAVE SAID IN DAR'S 2050, I SEE THE SCENARIO AS HAVING
BRYCESON AS INTERMEDIARY WITH A BACKSTOP GROUP MADE UP OF USG,
DUTCH, STANFORD AND PARENTS REP NEAR BY FOR CONSULTATIONS AS REQUIRED.

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AS A MATTER OF FACT, AS THIS HAS BEEN DISCUSSED HERE, WE NEEDTHE

TEAM BEING COMPOSED OF DUTCH AMBASSADOR VAN DEN BERG, MYSELF, DAVID HAMBURG, AND/OR STEINER OR NORMAN HUNTER, WHO IS ONE OF THE PARENTS.

4. ALL OF US WHO HAVE MET WITH HIM ARE MUCH IMPRESSED WITH HUNTER'S SAVVEY, OBJECTIVITY, AND JUDGMENT. HE IS WILLING TO AND CAPABLE OF MAKING A SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTION AND EVEN PREPARED TO BE A PARTICIPANT IF REQUIRED.

5. SINCE STEINER WOULD NOT BE THE PRIMARY NEGOTIATOR, THE AMIN ACCUSATIONS AREN'T REALLY IMPORTANT. SHOULD WE NEED TO GET AROUND TO CONSIDERING ANOTHER INTERMEDIARY FOR WHATEVER REASONS, I WILL COMMENT FURTHER ON STEINER'S POTENTIAL ROLE.

6. AS OF THE MOMENT THE BALL IS IN THE TANGOV COURT AND WE NEED TO KEEP PRESSURES THERE. AN INTRODUCTION OF ADDITIONAL AMERICANS WOULD NOT ADD TO WHAT WE ARE ATTEMPTING AND MIGHT EVEN BE COUNTER-

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